(a) whether a joint sector project was initiated for manufacture of polio vaccine in 1988 with the participation of the Department of Biotechnology, IPCL and Pasteur Merieux of France;

(b) if so, the present status of the said project;

(c) whether the Union Government have approved the said project; and

(d) whether the Union Government propose to induct the products of such a project in the National Immunisation Programme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) Yes, Sir. A joint sector project to manufacture viral vaccines including polio vaccine (inactivated) was approved by Government of India in March 1989, The Joint Venture has been promoted by Department of Biotechnology (GOI). Indian Petrochemicals Corporaton Lmited, Baroda and Pasteur Merium Serums & Vaccins Lyon, France.

(b) A company in the joint sector namely 'Indian Vaccines Coroporation Limited' (IVCOL) was incorporated under the Companies Act. Land for the project has been acquired at Manesar Village. Gurgaon District, Haryana. Civil construction of the plant and utilities has made major progress. Recruitment and training of personnel and procurement of equipment and machinery have also commenced.

(c) Yes, Sir. The Union Government has already approved the product mix of the company. However, it is mandatory that the indigenous products from the company need to be tested and certified by the Drugs Control Authority before use in the country.

(d) The IVCOL will be producing the *following vaccines:-*

Inactivated Polio Vaccine	*10 million*
Measles Vaccine	*20 million*
Rabies Vaccine	*2 million*
DPTP* (Quadruple)	40 million

(* Only as formulations using IPV manufactured by IVCOL and DPT procured from other manufacturers in India.)

The measles vaccine to be manufactured by IVCOL is already an approved product and will be introduced into the Immunization Programme after mandatory quality certification by the Drugs Control Authorities. The introduction of IPV and DPTP into the Immunization Programme will be decided based on the results of the ongoing feasibility studies. Since rabies is not part of the National Programme, there is no question of inducting the improved tissue culture rabies vaccine to be manufacture by IVCOL in the Programme.

Development of Ridge in Delhi

4370. SHRI SRIBALLAV PANIGARHI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the first master plan of Delhi envisaged a grandiose idea of developing the Ridge in Delhi on the pattern of the Central Park in New York;

(b) if so, the reasons for not implementing the same;

(c) the steps the Government propose to take to give the Ridge due importance as a natural forest and to preserve and protect it;

(d) whether the Ridge has been destroyed to the extent of 40 percent to 50 percent; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) The Master Plan for Delhi recommended that major part of the ridge should be kept in natural state. The Plan recommended as under:-

The most important of these is the Upper Ridge which should be reserved for a regional park. It should not be allowed to be dissipated by small undesirable user not should be gradually to Hyde Park in London, Bois-de-Boulogne in Paris or Central Park in New York. For the present, small portions of it may be developed like the Buddha Memorial Park and the rest may remain in a natural state with the undergrowth cleared to facilitate hiking.

(b) and (c). The Master Plan for Delhi Perspective 2001 envisages the conservation of the ridge in its natural form.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Question does not arise.

[*Translation*]

Out of Turn allotment of Flats

4371. SHRI SHIV SHARAN VERMA:
DR. KRUPANISDHU BHOI:
SHRI HARPAL SINGH PAWAR:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be please to state:

(a) whether the order issued by the Chairman, Delhi Development Authority from January 1991 for alloting houses out of turn have not been complied with so far: and

(b) if so, the reasons therefore?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) and (b). The DDA has reported that in few cases, allotments/associations are yet to be made. It is reported that these cases will be covered once flats under the approved category become available for allotments/allocations.

[*English*]

Food Processing Units in Orissa

4372. KUMARI FARIDA TOPNO:
SHRI GOPINATH GAJAPATHI:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have received any proposal for the setting up of Food Processing units in Orissa;

(b) if so, the details thereof?

(c) the number of Food Processing units proposed to be set up in that State;

(d) whether any of those units are likely to be set up during the current financial year; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) and (b). 13 applications for the manufacture of beer and 7 applications for the manufacture of potable alcohol in the State of Orissa have been received.